

SENATE BILL 3876
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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated Title 11,
Chapter 9, Part 2, relative to the Tennessee
Recreation Initiative Program

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

Section 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 11-9-202 is amended by adding language at the end of the first sentence of subsection (b) so that, as amended the sentence shall read as follows:

Three (3) grants shall be awarded annually on the basis of need and population on a statewide basis, with one (1) award to be made in each grand division; provided however, if, after the department notifies local governments of the availability of such grants, there are no applications from a grand division, then the department may award more than one grant to a grand division.

Section 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 11-9-202 is further amended by deleting subsection (c) and substituting instead the following:

(c) Such state grants and the community's match shall be used to hire a professional recreation and park director, to furnish and establish a recreation office and to hire such other staff with professional or other appropriate qualifications as are needed.

Section 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 11-9-202 is further amended by deleting subdivision (d)(1) and substituting instead:

(1) During the first two years in the program, the community shall match up to \$50,000 from the state.

Section 4. This Act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.